

**Regular Meeting
Health and Family Committee
August 29, 2006 - 1:00 p.m.
Tribal Office Boardroom**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call-

Call to order by Joan Delabreau, Chairperson. Present: Mary Husby, Duane Waukau, Shannon Wilber, Betty Jo Wozniak, Roberta Robinson and Jerry Waukau. Quorum present. Also present: Shawn Klemens, Francis Walker, Karen Beauprey and Gunnar Peters.

2. Moment of Silence- A moment of silence was observed.

3. Approval of Minutes Dated May 23, 2006 and June 20, 2006-

Motion by Betty Jo Wozniak to table the minutes dated May 23, 2006 and present them at the next meeting. Seconded by Duane Waukau. All those in favor signify by raising your right hand. Motion carried: 6-for, 0-opposed, 0-abstentions, 0-absent.

Motion by Jerry Waukau to approve the minutes dated June 20, 2006 and present them at the next meeting. Seconded by Betty Jo Wozniak. All those in favor signify by raising your right hand. Motion carried: 6-for, 0-opposed, 0-abstentions, 0-absent.

4. Election of Officers-

Jerry Waukau has volunteered to be the Vice-Chairman for this committee. No objections from Committee.

Duane Waukau has volunteered to be the Secretary for this committee. No objections from this Committee.

5. Review of Bylaws-

Historically, meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Meeting time has been moved to 2pm each meeting. No objections from Committee.

Regard to proxy voting, the Committee will get clarification from the Attorney's if you get an alternate to come in and sit in the meeting do they have voting privileges. This will become an agenda item for next meeting.

6. Pandemic Influenza Planning Update/Gary Schuettepelz-

Gary Schuettepelz gave the Committee fact sheets for a pandemic influenza plans. Menominee County Board will also be involved. A pandemic is inevitable so planning is being done. Having enough vaccines and antiviral on hand is all part of the plan. This information has also been present to the seniors in Keshena and Neopit. The schools are next on the list to get this information. Day Care and Headstart are part of the plan, but at these meetings, there was no representation. We will send some of the packets out to these centers.

7. Health Administrator's Report/J. Waukau: Executive Session & Regular Agenda-

Dental-No Show Policy: The Clinic is recommending discontinuing the No Show Policy as this policy is not working. The Medical Department has already discontinued theirs. When clientele are in crisis mode, the last thing that they remember is to cancel an appointment. Mr. Waukau will need motions to update dental manual to reflect this change.

Motion by Shannon Wilber to recommend to the Legislature to discontinue the Dental-No Show Policy. Seconded by Betty Jo Wozniak. All those in favor signify by raising your right hand. Motion carried: 5-for, 0-opposed, 1-abstentions (J. Waukau), 0-absent.

Motion by Shannon Wilber to recommend to the Legislature to approve the updated Dental Manual Policies. Seconded by Betty Jo Wozniak. All those in favor signify by raising your right hand. Motion carried: 5-for, 0-opposed, 1-abstentions (J. Waukau), 0-absent.

2-The Menominee Tribal Legislature approved the use of reserve cost monies and this should carry the Clinic thru December.

3- Bad River Clinic update-On behalf of the Tribe, we donated \$1,000.00 and Karen Washinawatok will sign off this donation. Will forward members some pictures of this devastation. Their clinic was a total loss and is operating out of their Casino.

The Committee reviewed the Tribal Administrator's Report and some of the grants are coming to an end. Mr. J. Waukau informed committee that most of the grants can be carried over. The State of Wisconsin has been certified as a Level 1 provider and will be able to take over certain programs. One is also that the Dental Hygienist was on medical leave and no one else could handle the job duties.

8. Proposal for Partnership Menominee Tribal Clinic and Menominee Transit-

This is part of a 5-year plan and if it works, this would be in favor for both entities. This would help the Clinic by having three (3) vehicles for transport to the Clinic and outside agencies. Existing staff would transfer over to Menominee Transit. There will be a mobility manager that would schedule these trips. Confidentiality became an issue and was discussed. If someone is getting a ride to a medical facility, the other passengers on the bus would know that this person is getting off at this particular stop but not the reason. Another point is that some people do not want someone to know that they are even going to a clinic. This would become a confidentiality issue is one of our drivers was relaying who was going where. The liability issue would be covered under the general umbrella of the Tribe's. This proposal would not be replacing KAP or any other medical transport.

Motion by Betty Jo Wozniak to recommend to the Legislature to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Menominee Tribal Clinic and Menominee Transit. Seconded by Mary Husby. All those in favor signify by raising your right hand. Motion carried: 5-for, 0-opposed, 1-abstentions (J. Waukau), 0-absent

9. Middle Village Request-

Gunnar Peters on behalf of the Middle Village Youth requested a ball field in Middle Village. Currently, the youth are playing in the street. Duane Waukau informed committee that the 5-year Recreational Plan was approved but there was nothing in there for a new ball field. MV does have a playground and a basketball court. Just to prep an area for a ball diamond would cost around \$10,000.00. Suggestions were to contact the Community Resource Center to see what funding or manpower is available. Also, contact Land Use to see what areas are available. Mr. D. Waukau will keep in touch with Mr. Peters in continuing to honor this request.

10. Maehnowesekiyah Fee Schedule-

Betty Jo presented the fee schedule for approval. These costs are comparable to facilities within the area and state. In fact, the DV class cost is only ½ of what other facilities charge. These fees are never charged to tribal programs. The charges go to third party billing or other entities requesting our services.

Motion by Duane Waukau to recommend to the Legislature to approve the Maehnowesekiyah Fee Schedule as submitted. Seconded by Shannon Wilber. All those in favor signify by raising your right hand. Motion carried. 5-for, 0-opposed, 1-abstention (Betty Jo Wozniak), 0-absent.

11. Elder Health Plan-

Will contact Joyce Kotschi-Aging Division to see if this still needs to be an agenda item.

Motion by Betty Jo Wozniak to table #11-Elder Health Plan. Seconded by Duane Waukau. Motion carried: 6-for.

12. Review Monthly Reports-

Question as to why other department reports are here but no representation. Some departments need to report to this committee. At one time, it was suggested that representation should be on a rotating schedule.

Social Services-Due to the Act 161 Agreements are with the State, County and Tribes-The State is reluctant to sign off as the Tribal Social Services was not involved. This is

still not ready for public consumption. Workforce Development is no longer charging the tribes unilaterally \$100,500.00. The Federal Regional Office has also recognized that the unilateral charge was not fair. Through Menominee's efforts; we are now only be charged \$14,500.00

13. Other Business-

Dr. Slagel would like the Committee to recognize that we have a problem with our young pregnant girls testing positive for cocaine use. This is part of Chapter 48.13 abuse and neglect for unborn child abuse. If the mother were pregnant and abusing alcohol and/or drugs and in those situations those reports are made to protective agency (MCHHS) an investigation is done and handed to tribal courts for further action. Younger mothers can be placed into a facility. A young mother can be incarcerated through the whole pregnancy. Committee realizes that these young mothers will stop coming in to receive treatment if they are reported. But the epidemic is here and this needs to be addressed. Dr Culhane/Medical Director will need to become part of the Child Protective team and become part of the discussions to find a solution to this dilemma.

Lorene Pocan approached Jerry Waukau to have the Tribal Clinic host a cancer seminar. Committee realizes that cancer is a broad range. In planning, Ms Pocan should focus on the most frequent cases that come up with this Tribe. Mr. Waukau will get more information and bring this back to the Committee.

14. Adjournment-

**Motion by Duane Waukau to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Shannon Wilber.
Meeting adjourned at 3:03 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted by,

Linda Peters, Legislative Staff